

XII.—*Descriptions of a new Modiola from Ceylon and of a new Tellina from New Caledonia.* By H. B. PRESTON, F.Z.S.

*Modiola taprobanensis*, sp. n.

Shell inflated, irregularly trapezoidal, somewhat curved, polished, shining, covered with a dark olive-green periostracum, which becomes paler posteriorly and is rather wrinkled towards the anterior ventral region; both valves marked with irregular concentric growth-lines, angularly swollen anteriorly; umbones much eroded; dorsal margin straight; ventral margin curved, slightly gaping in the middle; anterior side sharply rounded; posterior side sloping, obliquely rounded below; interior of shell nacreous, polished, bluish grey anteriorly, brownish bronze posteriorly.

Long. 8.5, lat. 18 mm.

*Hab.* Ceylon.



*Modiola taprobanensis.*



*Tellina viator.*

*Tellina viator*, sp. n.

Shell thin, elongately ovate, bright pink, concentrically striate, the striæ becoming much coarser anteriorly; dorsal margin almost straight; ventral margin scarcely rounded; anterior side abruptly rounded; posterior side sloping above, somewhat rostrate below.

Long. 8, lat. 15 mm.

*Hab.* Noumea, New Caledonia.